

- 3- Priests, utter forth the hymn to
 your great
 IXDRA ; let SATAKRATTJ, the slayer of YRITRA,
 smite
 YKITRA with his hundred-edged
 thunderbolt.¹
4. Daring-soulecl (IXDRA), there is
 abundance of
 food Trith thee,—boldly bring it to
 us; let our
 mothers ² (the waters) impetuously spread
 over the
 earth; smite VRITRA, and conquer all,
5. MAGHAVAX, who hast none before thee?
 when
 thou wast born for the slaying of YRITRA,
 then thou
 didst spread abroad the earth, then thou
 didst prop
 up the heavens.³
6. Then was the sacrifice pioeluco- for
 tliee, then
 too the joyous hymn ; then didst thou
 surpass all,
 whatever has been or will be born*⁴
7. ⁵In the immature (cows) thou
 producedst the
 mature ° (milk), thou causeJst the sun
 to arise in
 heaven.⁷ (Priests), excite (!XDRA) with
 your praises

¹ Yajnr Veda, **33**. 96. Sama Veda, I. 3. 2. 2. 5.

² The waters are called mothers from the passage
 in the Taitt.

Up. ii. I, "from, the waters comes the eartli, from
 the earth the
 plants, from the plants food, from food
 semen, from semen
 man."

- Sama Veda, II. 6. 2. 19. 1.

⁴ Sama Veda, II. 6. 2. 19. 2.

⁵ Sama Veda, II. 6. 2. 19. 3.

⁵ Cf. i. 62. 9.

⁷ Say-ana here repeats the legend of the Prsnis
 and the stolen

COTTS of the Angirasas, The rishis Implored Indra for
help, who,
seeing that the stronghold of the Asuras was
enveloped in thick
darkless, set the sim in the sky to dispel it.